

or his clerk, or if a resident of Baltimore city, before the clerk of the court of common pleas, or before the clerk of the circuit court for the county wherein he may reside, that he has been a resident of the State for the twelve months next preceding the time of taking such oath. Any one violating this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction before a judge of the criminal court of Baltimore city, or a judge of the circuit court for the county, or a justice of the peace having jurisdiction, as the case may be, shall be fined a sum not less than fifty dollars nor more than three hundred dollars, or imprisoned in the house of correction for a period of not less than three months or more than six months, or both, in the discretion of the judge or justice of the peace.

1896, ch. 418.

22. Before granting such license, the comptroller shall receive two dollars and eighty-five cents for every gross ton the boat shall measure, and in case any license is issued by the authority of any county, the clerk of the circuit court for the county shall receive for such license from the applicant, one dollar and ninety cents per gross ton for every gross ton the boat may measure, except that when the license is issued by authority of any county the license fee shall be eight dollars for all boats of five gross tons measurement and under, said measurement to be the gross tonnage of custom house measurement; but no allowance or deduction shall be made or allowed by reason of dunnaging; and it shall be the duty of the commander of the State fishery force, and any officer under his command, at any time he or they shall deem it proper, to inspect and verify the measurement of any boat and its gross tonnage; and the measurement ascertained by such officer shall be conclusive and final, and any license granted shall be corrected or amended in accordance with such measurement, and the appropriate license fee hereinbefore named, paid in accordance with such measurement, and the right granted by any license already issued shall be suspended until the full payment of such license fee is completed; provided, that persons applying for scraping license for boats to dredge in the Chesapeake bay, after the first day of January to the fifteenth day of March, shall be required to pay only one dollar and fifty